



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of
KIM et al.

Serial No. 09/762,039

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For: CATIONIC POLYMERS AND THEIR USE

) Group Art Unit: 1615

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) Examiner: Fubaara

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Applicants respond to the office action dated October 10, 2001 with the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-15 currently are pending.

The examiner rejected claims 1-15 under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Straub et al. (EP 0 100 890).

The issue is whether the examiner has set forth a *prima facie* case of obviousness with Straub et al.